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Sir:

Pursuant to Rule 136(a), Applicant(s) hereby petition(s) the Commissioner for an extension of time into the two month after the response due date, i.e., until February 28, 2005, for responding to the Office Action mailed September 30, 2004.

A check for the appropriate fee set by 37 CFR §1.17 of \$450.00 is attached hereto for this Petition.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge any Petition for Extension of Time fee for underpayment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-3935.

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